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Welcome to "US/ICOMOS at Work," a monthly update on US/ICOMOS actions to preserve and promote World Heritage and international knowledge exchange on preservation topics. We share these brief communications monthly with our members and supporters.

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A Message from the President

To see ourselves as others see us can be eye-opening. To see others as sharing a nature with ourselves is the merest decency. But it is from the far more difficult achievement of seeing ourselves amongst others, as a local example of the forms human life has taken, a case among cases, a world among worlds, that the largeness of mind, without which objectivity is self-congratulation and tolerance a sham, comes. - Clifford Geertz, Local Knowledge (New York, 1983).

When we think about what US/ICOMOS and ICOMOS have done, and, more importantly, what we should and can do, it has become clear in the past several years that we would be well advised by a rediscovery of why we exist.



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Webinar: [Tribal Reconnection and Archaeological
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Thursday, March 25, 2021, 3 to 4 pm EDT



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Free / Contribution Optional Webinar

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**Participants:
Chief Glenna Wallace,
Burt Logan, Bret Ruby,
Brad Lepper**

Eight vast 2,000-year-old American Indian earthworks in the middle Ohio River Valley constitute the Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks World Heritage nomination. Conceived and designed as ceremonial centers, these immense earthworks are the finest expressions of the cultural flowering and distinctive genius of Indigenous peoples who participated in a social or religious movement that touched much of North America. Learn how two major changes over the past dozen years are transforming understanding and interpretation of these amazing places: first, reconnection of American Indian Tribal nations that were forcibly removed from Ohio in the 19th century, and second, advances in methods of archaeological research and interpretation.

Chief Glenna Wallace of the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, National Park Service staff and Ohio History Connection staff will share how the prospect of World Heritage designation is propelling these changes, which in turn fuel a vision for full collaboration and co-management in the near future.

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Introducing Trustee Stephen J. Farneth, FAIA, LEED AP

Please help us welcome Steve Farneth as a US/ICOMOS Trustee. Steve is a Founding Principal of Architectural Resources Group (ARG), whose work encompasses some of the West Coast's most iconic buildings and sites, and has previously served US/ICOMOS as a Trustee, (2000-2009), and Vice Chairman, (2005-2009).



Steve's forty years of leadership at ARG have involved all aspects of the practice, including planning, conservation, and design for some of the most historically important places in the Western United States. These range from the California Missions to major projects throughout the National Park System and include important civic and institutional work such as Pasadena City Hall and Garrett Hall at the University of Virginia. Steve is actively involved on a number of other boards including, the California State Historical Safety Board which administers the California Historic Building Code, the California Missions Foundation, the Historic Preservation Education Foundation, and the University of California at Berkeley's Design Review Committee.

Steve will serve a 3-year term as Trustee and hopes to contribute to strengthening the US/ICOMOS organization and the U.S. connections to the international preservation community. He is particularly interested in the international issues related to climate change. Thank you for your service, Steve.

US/ICOMOS Emerging Professionals Network (EPN): Please Join Us!

Are you a heritage student or emerging professional in the first ten years of your career? If so, please join the US/ICOMOS Emerging Professionals Network. Working together, we will create opportunities for communication, exchange, and collaboration between EPs in the United States and with our



global counterparts. You can learn more about [ICOMOS's commitment to Emerging Professionals here](#) and [download the EP Information Pack here](#).

To join the US/ICOMOS EPN, [please click here and fill out this form to join](#) or write to Emerging Professionals Working Group (EPWG): [epwg \[at\] usicomos.org](mailto:epwg@usicomos.org) with questions and inputs.

Immediate opportunities for participation include:

- Africa/U.S. Emerging Professional Roundtable Webinar in celebration of World Heritage Day / International Day for Monuments and Sites (IDMS) 2021. This webinar will take place on April 14 at 1 pm EDT. Please mark your calendar now and look for further information soon.
- ICOMOS Advisory Committee (ADCOM) assistant team open to all EPs around the world. Interested EPs must be US/ICOMOS Young Professional members ([renew your US/ICOMOS membership or join here](#)) and should send an Expression of Interest (EOI) in the form of a brief email including a short description (250 words) about your professional background, any past roles with ICOMOS and other relevant experience. Send your EOI to [epwg \[at\] usicomos.org](mailto:epwg@usicomos.org) to by 27 March for vetting before ICOMOS application.

Please share this information with your young professional peers. Thank you!

Save the Date(s): World Heritage Day 2021 Activities

ICOMOS celebrates World Heritage Day / the International Day for Monuments and Sites (IDMS), every year on April 18th. This year's theme is "Complex Pasts: Diverse Futures."

Acknowledging global calls for greater inclusion and recognition of diversity, IDMS 2021 invites participants to reflect on, reinterpret, and re-examine existing narratives. ICOMOS encourages you to come together to share your experiences – of course in compliance with instructions from local and national authorities so as to ensure the safety of participants during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.



This year, April 18th falls on a Sunday. We are planning two related events the weeks before and after IDMS 2021. More information and registration links will be shared via email and social media soon, but please mark your calendars now for:

- **14 April 2021 at 1 pm EDT:** ICOMOS Africa and U.S. Emerging Professionals Working Groups Collaboration webinar "Intergenerational Conversation on Society and Heritage: Perspectives from Africa and the U.S."
- **22 April 2021, 12 - 1:30 EDT:** "World Heritage Day Webinar: Complex Pasts, Diverse Futures." A special 2-part webinar featuring a presentation on decolonizing heritage and incorporating a social justice approach in the management of U.S. World Heritage Sites; followed by a panel discussion featuring diverse heritage professionals.

On World Heritage Day, Sunday 18 April, US/ICOMOS will post social media posts celebrating the day. We encourage you to join in. Hashtags to use are: #ICOMOS #ComplexPast #DiverseFutures #IDMS2021 #IcomosIDMS2021. For ideas about how to participate and to learn more, [visit the ICOMOS event page here](#).

[Glacier / Waterton Bison Restoration Webinar Recording](#) **Available Online**



If you missed our February 25th World Heritage Webinar entitled "Tribally-driven Bison Restoration Comes to the Glacier/Waterton World Heritage Site", now is your chance to watch it online. The webinar is a wonderful introduction to World Heritage designation protection and U.S. National Park Service and Canadian Parks' cooperation with native American tribes and ecologists to restore cultural and ecological landscapes.

[View the webinar recording here.](#) Learn more about the presenters on the [dedicated Webinar page.](#)

— OF NOTE —

[Maintain Your International Scientific Committee \(ISC\) Membership by Renewing for 2021 Now](#)

ISC membership requires US/ICOMOS and ICOMOS membership as an International or Young Professional (under 30) member. Please renew now if you haven't yet renewed for 2021. Please join if you are interested in ISC membership and would like to learn more. [ISCs are listed here.](#)

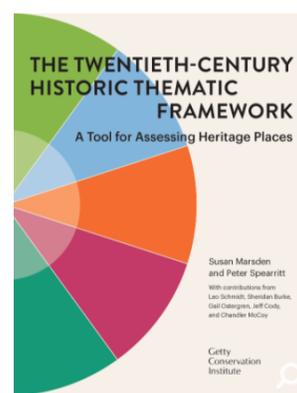
If you have any questions about our membership program, please email us at Membership@usicomos.org. Thank you to all of our members who have already renewed!

[Learn More About Membership and Renew](#)

[Twentieth-Century Historic Thematic Framework Released](#)

Getty Conservation Institute in collaboration with [ICOMOS ISC20C](#) (the 20th Century Heritage International Scientific Committee) released “The Twentieth-Century Historic Thematic Framework,” a free online tool for architecture and heritage conservation professionals around the world.

Because the 20th century was a time of proliferation of new buildings, cities, and landscapes, the existence of so many potential heritage places from this period can make it difficult for professionals to determine what is significant and why.



This publication provides a structure to help users identify and assess 20th century heritage, which is often the first step needed to conserve and sustain these places. It identifies the principal social, technological, political, and economic drivers that shaped the 20th century globally, distilled into ten succinct historic themes. [Download your copy here.](#)

[International Seminar Alert and Call for Papers on Cultural Religious Heritage](#)

PRERICO, the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Places of Religion and Ritual, invites all ICOMOS members to open a dialogue on the reuse and regeneration of religious cultural heritage around the world.

All PRERICO and ICOMOS members are welcome to participate as speakers. PRERICO anticipates a two hour Webinar with about 10 speakers presenting for 10 minutes each. The Webinar can be extended if there are more speakers than expected. Deadline for the title and abstract : April 30, 2021. Event: June 10, 2021 at 1 pm CET.

[Access the Event Poster and international call for papers here.](#)

Quality Principles for EU-funded Interventions with Potential Impact on Cultural Heritage



ICOMOS is pleased to share an update of its *Quality Principles for EU-funded interventions with potential impact on cultural heritage*.

Two versions are available online:

- the full version at

<http://openarchive.icomos.org/id/eprint/2436/>

- an abridged version, focusing on the main recommendations and the selection criteria,

at <http://openarchive.icomos.org/id/eprint/2440/>

ICOMOS hopes that these *Quality Principles* and *Selection Criteria* will help to

ensure, not only in Europe but also beyond, qualitative and sustainable investment for the future of our built cultural heritage. ICOMOS is committed to support such efforts and encourages you strongly to disseminate this document further.

Council on Training in Architectural Conservation (COTAC) PDF Publications Available Online

COTAC was formed in Europe in 1959 to advance the education and training of all those involved in the protection and preservation of the historic environment that is of cultural, architectural or historic value, and also to provide knowledge in support of education and training in the arts and skills required to preserve it.



COTAC's publications are now available as pdf downloads at www.cotac.global.

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[Greetings from Brú na Bóinne World Heritage Site in Ireland](#), featured this Wednesday 17 March in our #WorldHeritageWednesday video series. Follow us on social media!

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US/ICOMOS is a U.S. historic preservation nonprofit whose mission includes both supporting the UNESCO World Heritage program and promoting international exchange in the cultural heritage field. You can learn more about us at [usicomos.org](https://www.usicomos.org).

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